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HRISTIANS of all denominations profess to receive the Scriptures as the only rule of faith and practice, though they are often led aside by the customs and prejudices of the age in which they live, for want of a more close attention to the sacred oracles. This has been the case especially with respect to the ordinance of CHRISTIAN BAPTISM, which has been the occasion of too many angry controversies,-it has therefore been thought desirable to collect together all that is contained in the New Testament on that subject, without any comment, which is now recommended to the serious consideration of all those who are sincerely desirous to be found walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless, and to follow the Lamb whithersoever be goeth.

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TEXTS ON BAPTISM.

MATT. iii. 5, 6.

THEN went out to him Jerusalem and all Judea, and all the region round about Jordan, and were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.

Matt. iii. 13, to 17. Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to sulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him. And lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.

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Matt. xxviii. 18, to 20. Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Goye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark i. 4, 5. John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. And there went out unto him all the land of Judea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessions their sins.

Mark i. 9, 10. And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the spirit like a Dove descending upon him.

Mark xvi. 15, 16. And he faid unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

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Luke iii. 3. And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance, for the remission of sins.

Luke iii. 21, to 23. Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened; And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved son: in thee I am well pleased. And Jesus himself began to be about 30 years of age.

Luke vii. 29, 30. And all the people that heard him, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John. But the Pharisees and Lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him.

John iii. 22, 23. After these things came Jesus, and his disciples, into the land of Judea; and there he tarried with them and baptized. And John also was baptizing in Enon, near to Salim, because there was much water there: And they came and were baptized.

John iv. 1, 2. Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John, (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples.)

John x. 40. Jordan, the place where John at first baptized.

Acts ii. 38, to 41. Peter faid unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you

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and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words did he testify, and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about 3000 Souls.

Acts viii. 12. But when they believed Philip, preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized both men and women.

Acts viii. 35, to 39. Then Philip opened his mouth and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus. And as they went on their way, they came to a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the Chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the Eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts ix. 18. And he (Saul) received fight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

AAs x. 47, 48. Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost, as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord.

Acts xvi. 14, 15. And a certain woman named Lydia, a feller of purple, of the City of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul. And when she was baptized, and her houshold, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there.

Alls xvi. 33, 34. And he (the Jailer) took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway. And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

Acts xviii. 8. And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house: and many of the Corinthians, heaving, believed and were baptized.

Acts xix. 4, 5. Then faid Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, That they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts xxii. 15, 16, For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard. And now why tarriest thou, arise, and be baptized.

Romans vi. 3 to 5. Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized unto Jesus Christ, were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death: we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection.

1. Cor. i. 13, to 17. Were ye baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you but Crifpus and Gaius: Lest any should say, that I had baptized in mine own name. And I baptized also the houshold of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel.

Gal. iii. 27. As many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.

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Eph. iv. 5. One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.

Col. ii. 12. Buried with him in Baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

1. Peter iii. 21. The like figure whereunto, even Baptism, doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

N. B. Several passages of Scripture, relating to the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, are purposely omitted, as baving no reference to the ordinance of Christian Baptism.



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